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## The General's British Reception.

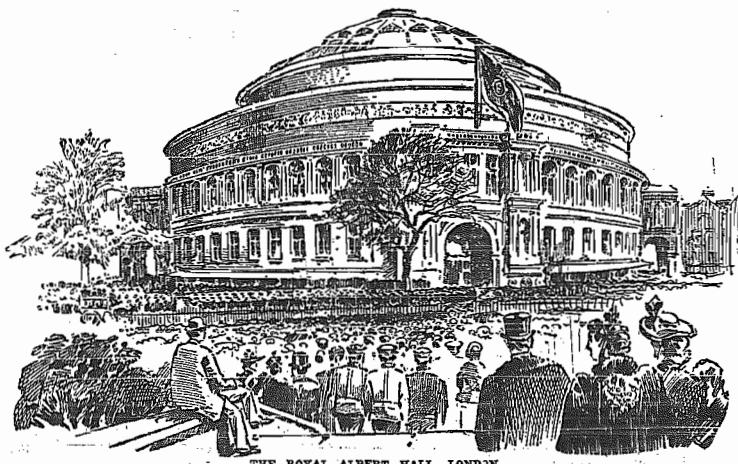
A GORGEOUS SCENE IN THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL, LONDON.

A Series of Spectacular Demonstrations—  
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One Hour.

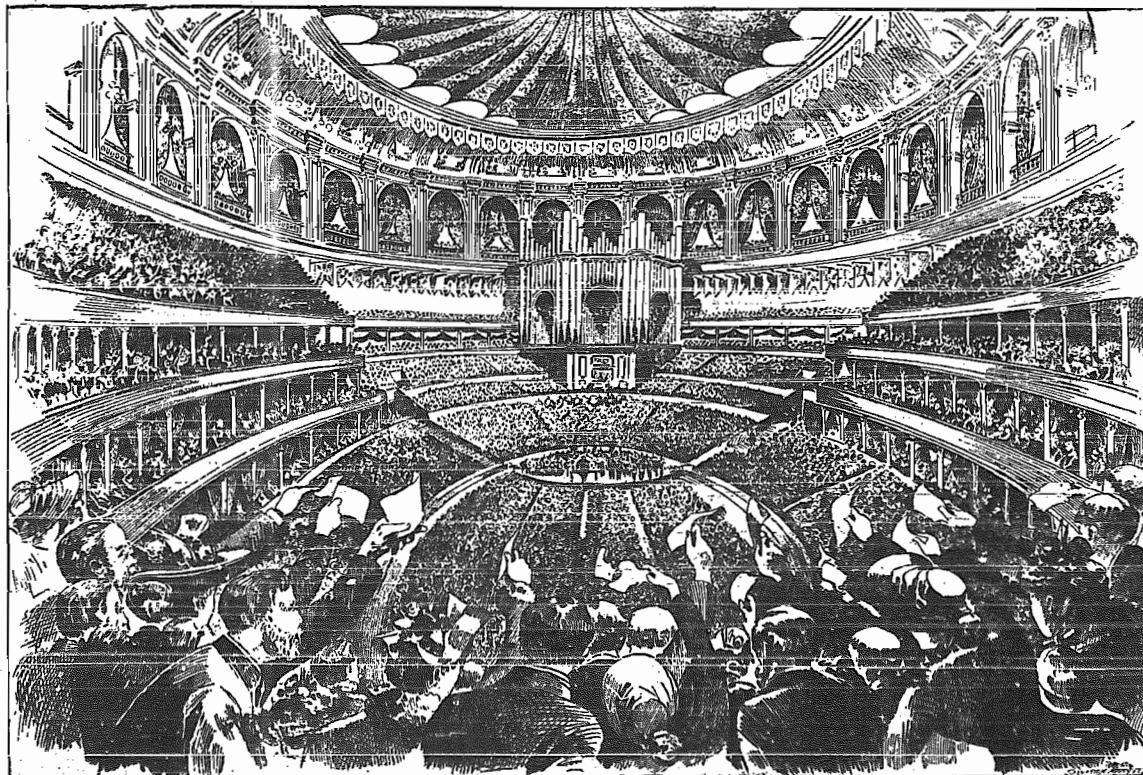
"Dazzling and magnificent," are the terms employed by Commissioner Nicol in describing the wonderful reception given to the General upon his first public appearance in London, after the return from his American and Canadian tour. We have already mentioned the meeting from cable and other reports, but the last English mail brings us an opportunity to give our readers some fine illustrations, giving an idea of that glorious meeting, and furnishing us with a description, by the British Editor in Chief, from which we give the following extracts:

Dazzling and magnificent! This but feebly expresses one's feeling on first gazing upon the scene at the General's Welcome Home from America, in the Royal Albert Hall, last Monday night. From the platform the view was en-

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THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL, LONDON.



THE GENERAL'S APPEARANCE.—"ALL THE PEOPLE WERE ON THEIR FEET CHEERING AT THE TOP OF THEIR VOICES."

## The Church and the Army,

## Or, HOW IT OUGHT TO BE.

Hard on the churches and chapels? hard on the ministers, too?

Why, bless yer heart, I loves the lot—especially them as is true!

There isn't one I wouldn't help, if I seed 'em in any harm;

I'd prevent 'em gettin' coldish, or starchy, or lukewarm.

I'd black their boots, or comb their hair; I'd far 'em if twas hot—

So Satan says I'm against 'em, but the Lord He knows I'm not.

Nor is the Salvation Army, nor the dear old Army drum,

As has been the means of callin' so many sinners to come.

We are the friends o' the churches, and they is findin' it out,

An' some o' 'em beats us hollow when they begins for to shout.

Now, just cock your ear an' listen. This happened the other day—

"Twould've happened a deal sight sooner if God could but have His way:

The Rev. Richard Richardson invited our Captain Strong,

Big drum an' all, said he to him, "You can bring your band along."

And he did—a tam' an' a fife—an' a rattlin' time we had,

Though some o' the worldly people went out, sayin' we were mad!

Never you sneer at church members. Look yer on that blessed day;

I laughed an' cried in turns, I did, to see 'em prayin' away.

An' the sinners as come to God, a-kneelin' out on the floor—

If there was a dozen or two, I counted fully a score!

Of course, some said 'twas excitement, an' some again wouldn't come

For fear o' pollutin' the church, they said, with the Army drum!

('nough we never gave it a strike, for the Captain thought it best

To give our bell, for once in a while, a kind of a sort o' rest.)

My, we got 'em to clap their hands, for the Captain says aloud:

"All o' you do as me," he says, "as is not too old nor proud."

And it did 'em a deal o' good, an' fetched 'em, the parson said,

For many o' 'em was start lukewarm—as if they was sent to bed.

Next week the Rev. Richardson returned the visit, you see—

We fixed up a Battle o' Song, an' let in his members free—

And they threw some cash in the box, so helped us on a good bit;

But 'twas what the minister said, as made us feel we was hit;

For he said that Almighty God was not as narrow as some

Who thought themselves too precious proud inside our barracks to come;

And he said he'd recognize us, for the Lord Jehovah did—

A-blessin' our undertakin's—a fact as could not be hid!

He said he felt somewhat ashamed when he sometimes thought of those

Who would not take a seat in his church for the want o' Sunday clothes;

An' now he went out to look for 'em—in the lanes, you understand—

An' led 'em into the shelter, with a lovin', helpin' hand;

An' he smiled, an' he looked so kind that if we'd a heart o' stone

We would have clapped our hands the same, a-feelin' he was God's own!

For we learnt, as never before, that he was a hot one, too,

An' doin' the work as the likes of us would never have learnt to do.

We understands each other now; so when we feels a bit cold,  
We plans a warmin'-up visit, as you've already been told.  
And the fire of the Holy Ghost is burnin' brighter to-day,  
Through the love that is between us, an' shinin' across our way.

An' the minister don't lose much, for God rewards him the more—

His children's got converted now, and is "bound for Canaan's shore."

His wife has left off ornaments, an' dresses an' speaks quite plain.

An' he who was once a smoker, smokes no tobacco again.

The church an' the Army's united for war, as they ought to be;

So the saints in earth and heaven are glad to see us agree.

—W. Ragan Phillips, Adj't.

## WALKING WITH GOD.

How prone we are to think that nearness to God is somehow dependent on remoteness from our fellows, yet in both the Old Testament and the New nearness to God is linked with added nearness to God's creatures. Says the disciple who was pre-eminently near and dear to the Son of God: "He that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen cannot love God whom he hath not seen." So it was from the beginning.

Earliest among the sons of men who have been distinguished by their nearness to God stands Enoch. "Enoch walked with God," we are told. A marvelous record that. To walk with God is to live, as it were, a life of divine confidence, for "how can two walk together except they be agreed?" And Enoch walked with God; his soul moved in rhythm with the stately stepping of the Eternal One. To walk with God is to be like God; to think what God thinks, to choose what God chooses, to love what God loves, to hate what God hates in short, to share in God's life. To walk with God is to "follow" God's Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Thus Enoch walked, sharing God's character, and so sharing God's beatitudes. In briefest phrase, and this, too, from the testimony borne to Enoch in the Epistle to the Hebrews, "He pleased God." Aye, to walk with God is to please God, and to please God is to walk with God. Yet in thus walking with God Enoch was no anchorite or fanatic.

Very suggestive is this little record concerning him: "Enoch walked with God, after he begat Methuselah, three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters." No ascetic celibate was he. It was as true of him as it was for us, that character is unfolded and tested in society. The family, not the monastery; society, not the cloister. This is the sphere of the divine promenade. May it be for every one of us, like Enoch, to have witness borne to us even in this world, that we are pleasing God. Thus walking with God we shall keep in everlasting chime with Him, our communion with Him being the ceaseless, blissful melody of the heavenly antiphony.

## WHAT IS IT TO DIE?

What is it to die? It is the end of strife, It is the waking, ere the dawn of life; It is to reach the land, the journey o'er, And view the traversed ocean from the shore. It is to sigh no more, to feel no pain, No sultry summer's sun, no wintry rain, No more o'er human wrongs and woes to weep, No more by opiates lulled to sorrow's sleep. You see the crowned Redeemer high in Glory, You hear them sing the sacrificial story, You see the martyrs glorified for ever, You drink with them from life's perennial river, O death, if thou be warden at the gate, Admittance to the radiant bar of God, If none by other paths to heaven hath trod, I fear thee not, thy presence shall be sweet; Come when thou listest, with thy noiseless feet; Thou canst but loose the silver cord and break The golden bowl, but I awake

In God's own presence, in His light to dwell, Beyond thy power, O baffled King of Hell.

—By the late Rev. W. C. McKinnon, who was once a Roman Catholic, afterwards a Wesleyan preacher.

## SERMONETTES.

## The True Light

"And the light shineth out of darkness; and the darkness apprehendeth it not."—JOHN i. 5.

In a coal-mine. Ofttimes a thick, black darkness is found in a mine, and though you hang up a light you can hardly see any distance backwards or forwards. Souls perishing in sin are in like condition, looking this way and that way for light, they seek a way of escape from sin without coming to Jesus, the great Light of the World. Look away, brother and sister, from self and your feelings to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.—A. F. Friday, Edmonton.

## The Night

"The night cometh when no man can work."—JOHN ix. 4.

This verse contains a solemn warning to saint and sinner alike. Look, the shadows are falling, the twilight is vanishing, the black darkness of night is swiftly creeping around us. Our precious time is almost gone. Our opportunities, golden and beautiful as they have been, are slipping quickly from our grasp. Our life will soon be ended, for the night is coming.

Is not this God's warning voice, pleading tenderly and patiently with the weary and heavy-laden, bidding them come to Him and find rest?

It plainly tells us that time is not our own, that soon we will not be able to call upon a merciful God for pardon, that the last chance will be gone for ever. Consider well the true meaning of that awful word "night." Death is coming to each of us. Oh, may we be ready for that moment! Hurry home, sinner; Jesus is coming; the angels are waiting to sing the welcome chorus.—Capt. Meeks.

## Jesus Our Best Friend.

"Behold . . . a Friend of publicans and sinners."—MATT. xi. 19.

A Friend of that poor, besotted drunk, a Friend of that young man who seems to be fast going to ruin, a Friend of that poor outcast, a Friend of that seemingly unapproachable hard-hearted man or woman.

Oh, what love! "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."

"Ye are My friends if ye do whatsoever I command you."—ST. JOHN xv. 14.

No more a one-sided affair, but the middle wail of partition broken down. "If ye do whatsoever I command you." Man in communion with God. Oh, what bliss!

Outward sorrows may come, earthly friends may frown, but One to whom we can always go, who is ever the same.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me."—REV. iii. 20.

Friendship with Jesus, fellowship divine; Oh, what blessed, sweet communion, Jesus is a Friend of mine."—J. E. E.

"True friendship profits and exalts. A friend may be a second conscience. The consciousness of what he expects from us may be a spur to a high endeavor. The mere memory that he exists, though it be at a distance, may stifle unworthy thoughts and prevent unworthy actions. Even when the fear of facing our own conscience might not be strong enough to restrain us from evil, the knowledge that our conduct will have to encounter his judgment will make the commission of what is base intolerable."—Stalker.

# Salvationists' Faults.

BY ROY RAMBLER.

What, writing up the weak sides of Salvationists, and exposing us to the ridicule of sinners! Surely this is the wrong place to discuss such themes. A Salvationist should not have any faults, anyway.

"Should not," did you say? True, theoretically, but circumstantially evidence is against it. A man may be truly converted, and consecrated to the Kingdom, and yet have imperfections—in fact, there are no perfect saints, notwithstanding the truth of holiness, which we teach and believe in. Men are men still, even if saved and sanctified; they are neither angels nor faultless machines.

Then we would ask those who would object, which is preferable: by committing faulty actions daily to raise the question of insincerity in the observant sinner's mind, or by an honest recognition of our faults find out the mischief they may do, and so put ourselves on guard against our failings?

Again, our faults are not peculiar to us, at least the real cause of such, but by belonging to a peculiar organization, with peculiar methods, some of our faults manifest themselves in a peculiar way, which in others would be shown in a different manner, which, as a rule, is less conspicuous.

The great key to success and development was named rightly by one of the seven sages of ancient Greece: "Know thyself." A knowledge of our weakness is the surest way to strengthen and fortify us, and to be wiser and more charitable in dealing with our weaker brothers, bringing us to a better conception of the magnitude of His grace and love.

I propose to take up, from week to week, one of our faults, which often causes our actions to be misconstrued by friends and sinners, and gives rise to harsh and bitter comments.

## I.—THOUGHTLESSNESS.

The fault of thoughtlessness, I believe, is most frequently met with. Under certain conditions it may seem like inconsideration of others, or even like gross selfishness, which it is often branded by ill-disposed persons, and it gives rise to much misunderstanding and bitterness that estranges, when at the bottom only thoughtlessness is found.

There are certain people who believe that having found pardon their heart is put right, and now they must not "take thought for anything" except that which seems all-important. They are happy in their new-found joy; they like to see others saved; they come to marches and meetings; do what they are told to do; sell War Crys, if they are asked to sell them, and in many respects are a help to the corps and officers. Yet they are afraid to think much.

## THEY DO NOT REFLECT

when the proper time would be to say "Amen!" or "Hallelujah!" and often spoil an excellent meeting by causing a laugh, when conviction is gripping the audience. Like a dear fellow I knew who shouted "Hallelujah!" just when I had raised the hair of an audience by a graphic description of the moment when Jonah was thrown overboard, and the mighty jaws of that huge fish swung open to receive him. In another instance the leader of a holiness meeting asked for testimonies of the blessing or a clean heart, when Weeping Mary rose to address the audience on the evils of drink and asks the drunkard to give his heart to God, when not an unsaved person was in that meeting. Shouting John jumps up and sings "The old ark's a-movin'!" just when the Captain has labored and exhorted the crowd for twenty minutes, and having brought numbers to the point of genuine conviction, is about to draw in the net. Happy Jim prays for everybody and everybody but the poor man kneeling at the penitent form, and so we could multiply instances *ad lib.* when thoughtlessness has more or less inter-

fered with the results of an otherwise well-conducted meeting. Many officers can recite similar and stronger incidents. Who has not been annoyed by the half-loud conversations on the platform while the people are straining their hearing to catch the words of the speaker, or has not seen the spell of conviction which had settled upon a conscience-stricken crowd removed by unnecessary movements or fidgety and ridiculous actions of some thoughtless person. "Oh, I am so sorry; I didn't mean anything!" they exclaim when told about it. Of course they didn't mean to do any harm, they were only thoughtless.

## THEY ARE THOUGHTLESS IN THE OPEN-AIR.

Being thoughtless, their mind and attention are caught and held by every passing incident while standing in the open-air ring. While the rest have their eyes closed in prayer they are so intent on watching a passing rig that they do not notice it. When testimonies are given they look around the crowd, and seeing a funny individual, are so taken by surprise that they must call the next comrade's attention to it, and loudly whisper, with some smiles, their observation. Both turn to look, and many in the crowd follow the direction of their gaze to discover the cause of the merriment, with the result that the saved drunkard's words are lost in the hubbub. While a few earnest soldiers strain their voices to raise the choruses, one of these thoughtless souls thinks it an opportune moment to talk freely to Mrs. Brown, inquiring after the baby, and other members of her family.

This class of Salvationists is thoughtless on the street, going to, and coming from, the meetings. They forget that people are watching them. They giggle and joke in loud voices to be heard across the street. They forget to shake hands with the penitent soul which came forward, and when he passes them on the street expecting a friendly smile and an encouraging word, they look in a different direction; not because they want to snub him, but they are thoughtless and don't remember him.

They heard of Brother Jones' illness, but being thoughtless, they forgot to call and see him, and when they heard of his death they expressed their sorrow at not having visited him during his sickness, but the poor widow keenly feels the neglect. They go to see the officers, which is nice, but because they are well received and enjoy their visit they stay for two or three hours, hindering their work. They are willing to help in collecting for any effort, but forget to think it out beforehand. They call on the grocer on a Saturday night, when he is busiest, or on the business man when his office is crowded with commercial visitors, or go aimlessly over ground where one or two soldiers have been before. They mean well, but are thoughtless. They preach to the drunkard when he is unable to understand a word, or exhort a prisoner in jail on the evils of theft for which he is incarcerated, and if they were asked to read from the Bible they would read the Prodigal Son. They invite, when fishing, the scoffer and sceptic to the penitent form, spend half an hour with a man who enjoys arguing about where Cain's wife came from, while they forget to look up those who, by their countenance and demeanor, show concern about their soul's salvation.

There are innumerable ways in which thoughtlessness is shown; it can be observed in the general appearance, in the careless way of dressing, in the use of slang phrases, and the multitude of words to express nothing in particular, in listless behavior on the platform and in meetings; in the neglect of others' claim upon our sympathy and consideration.

If you should be numbered among the thoughtless, resolve to make it a part of your daily prayers to ask God to help you to be thoughtful, and with the exercise of more thought you will find greater avenues of usefulness and happiness, and become a better reflector of the image of God in your soul.

## The One Hundredth.

WHO did not know John? Everyone did, for in and out of court he had been a conspicuous figure for years—by his family quarrels; in his sprees, when he had kept the authorities busy; or when he had brought the hot blood of shame to the cheeks of his children as in drunken excitement he had paraded the streets on a work-worn and weary animal. Again and again he had "braced up." Friends had helped him to his feet, and just as it seemed reformation was probable down came everything, and the wreck was greater than ever before. His case was hopeless. Gradually his property slipped "down the red lane," until in self-defence, one by one, the family was forced to self-support, and the sad and faded "old woman," whose hardened hands had cracked and stiffened to claw-like talons, thin and pinched, went to her long home and the rest she could not enjoy in life.

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"I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise is continually in my mouth.

"My soul shall make her boast in the Lord. The humble shall hear and be glad.

"Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together."

The man with the familiar red shirt and banded cap of the Salvation Army, spoke with the earnestness and intentness of conviction, not with the careless volubility of the street-preacher, and his words drew the attention of the idlers of the street. They gathered at the edge of the sidewalk on the hotel corner, near which the little Army stood in battle array; and business men paused in their hurry of trade as the speaker continued:

"I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears."

Then, as if relating a personal experience, he said with pathetic tenderness:

"This poor man cried and the Lord heard and saved him out of all his troubles.

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them."

His wrinkled face, aged by dissipation and bronzed by the burning suns and biting winds of the prairie, shone with the light of perfect assurance. His rude, irregular features became transformed and his voice magnetic as he passionately cried with the Psalmist:

"Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good."

And there was almost the benediction of a patriarch as he softly repeated it, and added:

"Blessed is the man that trusteth in Him."

It was new—the way he put it—and the audience grew as others stopped to see what held the first so intently. Many had listened to the songs of the girls with interest in the music alone, conscious of the familiar rhythm of popular songs, but heedless of the new words. But the speaker needed no other attraction than his presence and power. His voice grew strong and a familiar tremor was noticed as he went on:

"The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous and His ears open unto their cry.

"They cry and the Lord heareth and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

"The Lord is night unto them that are of a broken heart; and saith such as be of a contrite spirit.

"The Lord redemeth the soul of His servants, and none of them that trust in Him shall be desolate."

It was years since he had spoken to any who listened to him now, so eagerly. His voice wavered, but he went on:

"I acknowledged my sins unto Thee and mine iniquity I have not hid.

"Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered!"

And then they knew that John had reformed.—Jamestown, N.D., Daily Capital.

"The unfinished friendships of this life are at once its dearest experiences, and most glorious hopes."—Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.

# The General's British Reception.

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thralling, magnetic. The Hall resembled a mountain of humanity, and one stood as an atom in a world of space.

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The ascending stalls, enlivened by encircling stripes of yellow, red, and blue, formed the base. The sweeping three ranges of boxes is the largest, most majestic balcony in the world. It will seat four thousand, and it was dense with people. Above it is a table-like summit, peering from which were hundreds and hundreds of seemingly mute, transfixed spectators.

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It was truly a wonderful vision. From these positions all eyes were toward the moving, glittering panorama of human beings in the arena and on the orchestra. The effulgent light revealed everything—the art of the designer (the Chief of the Staff) and the skill of the organizers (Commissioner Coombe and Colonel Hay). Bands covered half a score of tiers on the orchestra, red and yellow; higher up, songsters, white and pale blue; and the mighty galleries, north and south of the grand organ, sparkled with red and yellow.

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We take all this in at a glance, feast on it for a moment or two, gasp an exclamation of wonderment, and then—sigh! Fifty thousand people have begged and clamored for tickets, and here are only ten or twelve thousand—with the biggest crowd that could be spoken to, so as to be heard, in England—perhaps in the world.

Then we think of the crowd outside in the cold and in the drizzle, standing for hours on the off-chance of breaking down, by the eloquence of their tears and pleadings, the official resistance of the man in buttons.

Dear souls! How they love the General!

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Like some old-time chieftain, the General received the greetings of his Staff, who headed a procession of representatives of all the departments of Army work. First came the old guard, the Commissioners, their hair streaked with grey, one or two showing the white of their scalps, but all grave as becometh men of their station. Their partners walked by their sides—goodly heritage.

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Well-known faces in the International group passed from right to left, also in noble file, bearing themselves erect. The Editors bore the cudgels of their craft, as likewise did the Trade and Printing Staffs. Whereat the eyes of the illiterate in the boxes—it is remarkable how little people know!—opened. "They had no idea," etc.

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A touch of humanity was given to the procession, after the doughty men of the nation—Colonel Hay, Colonel Eadie, Provincial, Training, Divisional, Field, and Local Officers—had waved their salutes, by the appearance of those ministering angels of the poor, the Sium Officers. Clad in their everyday habit, bearing the utensils of their Samaritan labors, visions of rookeries and dingy alleys flitted across our imagination. The General's eyes were a study in compassion at this moment.

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Patriotism, mingled with salvation hope, rose when Staff-Capt. Murray headed a band of naval and soldier boys; and then came the flowing tide of Salvationism as applied to dark and barren fields.

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Commissioner Cox, with Staff from the Women's Social Work, beamed on their General. Wardens appropriately carried a lifeboat design, and Home Mothers, Officers of Service-Girls, Laundry Workers, Work-room Officers, Ragged Children—"before and after"—Pedlars, Nurses, Police-Court and Cell Visitors, and Officers from the Shelters presented, in striking form, the greatest lesson, perhaps, which the Church of Christ needs to learn to-day, viz., that we cannot lift up humanity without going down to it.

Colonel Sturgess, of the City Colony, came along proclaiming this Gospel with every conceivable article picked up, bought, sold, and manufactured for the good of downtrodden and degraded mankind. Model barracks, benches, tables, chairs, loads of waste, etc., were carried. The audience laughed, applauded, and shouted, and waved their compliments.

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The whole was fittingly brought to a climax by the entrance of Colonel Lamb, the Governor of the Land Colony. Here another item in the Army's vast work was illustrated. Humanity has not only to be lifted up, but it can only be done in stages. The Colony walked on the platform of the Royal Albert Hall with bundles of illustrations of this fact. Men from the Probationary Farm, semi-tattered and worsted in the battle of life, were succeeded by men from, it seemed, a hundred and one industries, terminating in a contingent of robust, cheerful fellows, each carrying a kit for the journey (which they have since begun) to Canada as emigrants.

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As to the matter of the General's address, it was perfect in form, embracing a brief report on the leaders of the Army in America and Canada, a description of the journey, and the principal victories of the campaign. It glowed with sincere appreciation of the New World and its opportunities and possibilities; and as an influence, the General's Albert Hall speech will go a long way in strengthening the best ties that connect Great Britain with the United States. The address was illuminated with the general's well-guarded, practical, humor, and adorned with story and illustration. But the dominant note was Christ for the hopeless, the prodigal, and the lost; and the world for Christ, the Redeemer of souls, the Saviour of the world.

His closing thoughts were chiefly devoted to a recognition of the work done in his absence under the guidance of the Chief, and the noble Self-Denial result, but his last words deserve to be printed in gold and engraved on the memory and heart of every Salvation soldier:

"On your own target four words are inserted: Righteousness—right with God; Goodness—you must be good in heart and life; Love—you must love the bodies and souls of your fellows to fight for them; Perseverance—you must hold on to the last. *You have got your target; what will you do with it?*"

## Peter Cartwright at a Dance.

During the days of circuit preachers the renowned Peter Cartwright, while on one of his circuit rides, chanced, on a certain occasion, to stop at a country tavern where a dance was being held. He sat in a corner alone, pondering over the sins of the dancers, when one of them, a beautiful young lady, approached him and asked him to dance. It was a polite attention to a stranger, which the entire company seemed to approve. He consented, and, leading her to the centre of the room, motioned to the negro fiddler to stop playing. When quiet was obtained he announced that he never did anything of importance without first asking God's blessing upon it, and, drawing the young lady with him, he fell upon his knees, shouting, "Let us pray." The people present were astonished. Some of them followed his example and knelt; others fled, and others stood in amazement. Soon his great voice in prayer and exhortation produced its effect, and the entire community fell, begging for mercy. The dance was turned into a religious meeting, and many were converted.

## Great Britain's Thirst.

The drink bill of Great Britain and Ireland, although the figures for 1902 show a decrease in the money spent upon drink by over £2,000,000, as compared with those of 1901, exceeds the whole expenditure upon the Government, Army and Navy, and Civil Service; it is greater than the entire sum paid for rent; and it is far in excess of the outlay upon all religious, educational, and charitable objects put together.

## HOLINESS AND BACKSLIDING.

### HOLINESS.

The sweetest of all pearls is holiness, "without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. xii. 14.

Holiness enjoyed, the following is the outcome:

Our life is consecrated to the work of saving souls, whether we are a humble soldier, or a Colonel.

We have a willing spirit, willing to do any duty that is laid upon us, if at all possible, without a flinch.

We love God with all our hearts; we love our neighbors as ourselves.

Holiness will be our theme; we will love holiness meetings and knee-drills on Sunday mornings.

We will not miss a meeting, if we can get there, even if we have to make some sacrifice.

We will be glad to give a real, definite testimony to when and how we got the blessing.

We will pay our debts, we will be punctual, we will keep our promise, we will love open-air work.

If a Salvationist, we will love uniform, and wear it always if possible.

If we enjoy holiness, in or out of the Army, we will dress plainly and soberly, we will preach against all worldliness in any form.

We will hate the spirit of the world, and have no fellowship with the unsaved.

We will be holy in all manner of conversation.

We will be praying men and women.

We will live to do the whole will of God.

We will be holy examples in all things, and at last have an abundant entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven.

### BACKSLIDING.

Oh, would to God we knew nothing of this enemy of holiness. C. G. Finney used to say, "Flee from lukewarmness as you would flee from hell fire."

Solomon's proverbs say, "The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways." We see this truth verified continually.

When we begin to decline spiritually, we have not the fiery love in our hearts for God's will, we are not watchful, we cease to wait upon Him, and lose love for souls.

When backsliding, it can be noticed in our very manner, and in our testimony.

God's Word is neglected, and we lose the taste for spiritual reading.

Backsliding is noticed by the company we keep, by the neglect of attending holiness and other meetings.

We begin to give way to pride, and show it in our dress; if a Salvationist, we begin to lay aside the uniform.

We begin to find fault with our comrades, or officers, or Headquarters.

We take our eyes off the Creator, and set them on the creature; if a Candidate for the work, when backsliding we renounce the purpose of devoting our lives to soul-saving.

Reader, are you backsliding? or are you a real heart-backslider already? If so, God says, "I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear: and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see." (Rev. iii. 18.)—F. C. Kendall, Adj't.

## His Father's Will.

A God-fearing man was one day walking to church with a New Testament in his hand, when a friend who met him said:

"Good-morning, Mr. Price."

"Ah, good-morning," replied he. "I am reading my Father's will as I walk along."

"Well, what has he left you?" said his friend.

"Why, He has bequeathed me a hundred-fold more in this life, and in the world to come life everlasting."

## World's Oldest Salvationist.

*"Dad" Morrell, After Saying "Welcome" to His General, is Promoted to the Gloryland.*

Brother William Morrell, the Nottingham centenarian, and, doubtless, the oldest Salvationist in the world, has gone into the presence of the King of kings.

He heard the angel's summons on the morning of April 1st. Without a fear he answered to his name.

Our veteran comrade had reached the remarkable age of 103. His splendid vitality sustained him in a wonderful way until a few days of his promotion.

It is but six weeks ago that he stood shoulder to shoulder with his comrades in the open-air, and this, too, despite the pouring rain.

His devotion to duty should put to shame those who raise feeble quibblings about getting up early in order to go to the house of God. For seventeen years out of the twenty he was a Salvationist; he never missed a knee-drill.

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The last words of Brother Morrell were "Welcome—welcome!" They were uttered by him as he stepped into the chariot.

He had been reminded by Ensign Vallance that the General was being accorded a great reception at the Albert Hall, London. It was then that the old warrior, almost with the glint of the Golden City in his eyes, and with his heart beating loyally to his General and the flag, uttered the words mentioned.

The following telegram was despatched from Dad Morrell's home, and received by the General at the Albert Hall not long before the conquering spirit of the centenarian Salvationist went to God:

"Welcome! Welcome!" From the quivering lips of a dying veteran, Dad Morrell, aged 103. Soldier Notts I. corps."

Brother Morrell's career was both a striking and interesting one. To make oneself acquainted with the facts concerning it is to fill one with praise to God, who was able to change the lion into the lamb; to transfer, by His grace, the companion of those who ended their days on the gallows into a valiant soldier of the cross, and a much-loved comrade in the fight.

The following information, related by our comrade, in a conversation with an interviewer, recently, emphasizes the truth of what we have said:

Brother Morrell was born at Hickling on January 7th, 1801.

"The first thing I can recollect in my life," said he, "was living in what had been known as 'dog kennels,' on Leen-side, at the age of six. My father was a shoemaker. He had been taught the trade by the French prisoners who were confined in the county jail in Nottingham during the reign of George III. He used to

mend the prisoners' shoes, and I sometimes used to take the shoes, after they had been repaired, to the prison. I commenced work about the age of eight, for Mr. Acott, a boot and shoe dealer, of Long Row. The business was afterwards taken over by Mr. Parnham, for whom I worked seventeen years, and I was employed by Mr. Martin sixteen years.

"I made the shoes for the men to wear at the first prize fight in Nottingham. The fighters were Dick Hill and George Atkinson, and they fought by the Trent side, near Clifton Hall.

"My father was a famous wrestler, and won many prizes. I recollect him winning two guineas in a wrestling match at Bunny. Later I took to fighting, and I developed into one of the best fighters of the day." (This was spoken with feelings of regret.) "I won several prizes, and occasionally fought for money."

"I sadly remember that the first fight I had was with a man named Brown, on Blue Bell Hill. We fought two hours and twenty minutes, and I was blind for three days after. The combat ended in a draw. It is seventy years ago since that battle took place.

"The last time I was matched to fight—it should have taken place at Leeds—my opponent would not meet me; he forfeited. We were then to have fought for a good sum.

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"On one occasion I was in jail with 'Collie' Eason, who was afterwards hanged for setting fire to Lowe's mill, at Beeston. His sister went to my pair of white breeches for her brother to be hanged in. That shows what a character I had been to be associated with such a crew. I can remember a good many who had a hand in setting fire to the Nottingham Castle, but I don't want to name them. We did about as we liked then."

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After he had steadied down he entered the Police Force. He was, in fact, the first police-constable in Nottingham, being one of a dozen men under a certain Sergeant Barnes. He remained in the Force for about two years. He was afterwards head male nurse at the Nottingham Hospital.

Brother Morrell attributed his conversion to the earnest efforts of a local preacher. He became as zealous for God as he had been in the service of sin, and won many souls for Christ.

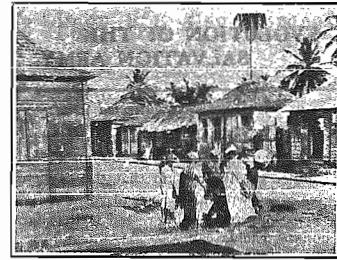
He assisted the Rev. Jas. Caughey during a revival in the city, between thirty and forty years ago, during which nearly a thousand people professed conversion.

One Sunday he walked thirty-two miles to preach the Gospel, and on many occasions covered very long distances to carry the good tidings of salvation to the people of the villages.

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As a Salvationist, he was one of the best. Through the stormiest weather this old veteran plodded to the meetings in order to do his part in the war against wrong.

His last address was given in the barracks several weeks ago. In it he showed the difference between happiness which the world gives



Natives Taking Water, St. Lucia, W.I.

and the joy of salvation. The logical and convincing way he put the case revealed the fact that his mind was as clear as his heart was warm.

His influence on the soldiers and townspeople was great, and many are the testimonies given to the good his life has done.

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In accordance with his earnest wish, our comrade's remains were laid to rest beneath the flag he loved, in the presence of a multitude of soldiers and friends of the city in which he had spent his life of more than five score years.

### France.

Mrs. Lieut.-Colonel Peyron has conducted a drawing-room meeting in Pau, near the Pyrenees in the South of France. The friends who met there were greatly interested in the report of our work, towards which they contributed over \$100.

### A Paris Poster.

In all parts of the city of Paris, amid the other official placards and notices (some of which are gayly printed in red, white, and blue) is a large black poster in clear black type, bearing the striking words: "Alcoholism: Its Dangers," in glaring headlines. The wording of this unique placard is in part as follows: "It is a mistake to say that alcohol is necessary for workmen who engage in arduous labor, that it gives encouragement to the work, or that it builds up the forces; the artificial stimulus that it brings about quickly gives place to nervous depression and weakness; in reality, alcohol is useful to no one, it is hurtful to all. . . The habit of drinking brings in its train loss of affection for one's family, forgetfulness of all social duties, distaste for work, misery, robbery, and crime. It leads, at last, to the hospital; for alcoholism begets the most various and deadly maladies. With reference to the health of the individual, the existence of the family, and the future of the country, alcoholism is one of the most terrible scourges."

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Commissioner Higgins, Resident Indian Secretary, was expected in England last week, on combined furlough and special business affecting India.

Godorich Musicians.



Some of the Boys who Applied last week for Tickets to Oakville's Camp.



Lt. Davis Sis. M. Jones Sis. F. Ross Sis. Eva Jones Capt. Woods.


**EVOLUTION OF THE  
SALVATION ARMY.**

JAPAN.—(Continued.)

We have entered into details more than we had any intention of doing at the onset, but we were under the impression that the particulars we have given would not be read without special interest by our friends interested in that far-off Missionary Field.

Even in Japan there are many aspects of our work. Our operations there do not merely consist of meetings and marches, but, as we have already described to some extent, the Army has been reaching out a helping hand to many in the lowest strata of society. We referred exhaustively to the mighty effort the S. A. put forth to rescue fallen women, and informed our readers in a previous issue of the happy result of the campaign. We also briefly referred to our Prison Gate Work, but as we have now some up-to-date and interesting particulars from the pen of Colonel Bullard, who is in command of Japan, relative to this special branch, we take pleasure in giving our readers the benefit of the same.

## THE GENERAL'S SOCIAL SCHEME APPLIED.

The amount of crime, states the Colonel, is not greater in Japan than in other countries; probably less than in many of those which are supposed to have reached a higher moral and social position.

According to the latest returns, the total number of prisoners in the jails and other penal establishments in the empire is 57,921.

There is an elaborate system of registration; everyone has to be registered, and the police notified of any change of residence.

There is also a very efficient and well-organized force of police in every part of the empire, who exercise close and even irksome supervision. In consequence of this, much crime is no doubt prevented, and criminal acts seldom escape detection.

Those who have been convicted of any offence, and suffered a term of imprisonment, are followed by the shadow of their crime, or the consequences of their imprisonment, through the rest of their lives.

At the expiration of their term of imprisonment they must still remain for six months under police surveillance, and someone must stand as a guarantee for their good behaviour for the period. Failing to find a satisfactory guarantee, they have to remain in prison for this further term after their sentence proper has expired.

Then an ex-prisoner suffers a number of very serious disabilities, and is denied the exercise of many rights enjoyed by others.

Soon after our arrival in Japan, a small Home to receive discharged prisoners was opened in Tokyo. This was the first institution of the kind in Japan. This Home did a quiet but helpful work, and attracted a good deal of attention to the needs of this class, so that since a number of institutions of a similar character have been opened.

A little more than two years ago the Home was removed into larger and more suitable premises, accommodating forty men, and since that time a very successful work has been accomplished.

The following figures, showing the result for the past year, will give an idea of what is being done:

No. of Inmates at Beginning of Year..	32
No. Received During Year .....	50
	— 82
No. Sent to Employment .....	22
No. Sent to Friends .....	11
No. Left with Permission .....	2
No. Left Unsatisfactory .....	14
No. Now in the Home .....	33
	— 82

The General's principle that all who eat must work, is carefully carried out. Employment is secured outside the Home for all, by the officer in charge. The sympathy of many large employers of labor makes this comparatively easy

in normal times, though during seasons of depression some difficulty is experienced.

It is gratifying that the men almost invariably give satisfaction to their employers. It is seldom indeed that we receive complaint regarding their conduct; but, on the other hand, we frequently receive expressions of satisfaction from the men's employers. Some of the inmates are employed in the Government Arsenal, others by the city corporation, road repairing, etc., others by contractors and business firms.

From their earnings the men pay for their support, their clothing, and other necessities, the balance is deposited with the officer in charge, and given them when they leave, either to start them in business, or in furnishing a home, or some other such purpose.

The conduct of the men while in the Home is exemplary. It is very seldom that there is a breach of discipline, or wilful departure from the simple rules of the institution.

(To be continued.)

be printed. "It is printed," said Franklin, "and it is a part of the Bible."

## WEDNESDAY.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."—PROV. xxii. 6.

Said a mother one day: "When my children were young, I thought the very best thing I could do for them was to give them myself. So I spared no pains to talk with them, to teach them, to pray with them, to be a loving companion and friend of my children. I had to neglect my house often. I had no time to indulge myself in many things which I should have liked to do.

"I was so busy adoring their minds and cultivating their hearts' best affections that I could not adorn their bodies with fine clothes, though I kept them neat and comfortable at all times. I have my reward now.

"My sons are ministers of the Gospel; my grown-up daughter a Christian woman. I have plenty of time now to sit down and rest, plenty of time to keep my house in order, plenty of time to indulge myself, besides going about my Master's business wherever He has need of me. I have a thousand beautiful memories of their childhood to comfort me. Now that they have gone out into the world, I have the sweet consciousness of having done all I could to make them ready for whatever work God calls them to do. I gave them the very best I could—myself."

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## THURSDAY.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee."—ISA. xxvi. 3.

Do not let anything take our minds off Christ. Sometimes the most trivial things will turn us aside.

Leonardo da Vinci once took a friend to see his great work of the "Last Supper." The first remark of the visitor was, "What a beautiful communion cup it was in front of Christ!" The artist at once took his brush and painted out the cup. "Nothing," he said, "should ever divert attention from Christ." When I have seen a mother holding a child for its likeness to be photographed, I have often been delighted to notice her ingenuity in getting behind the child and concealing herself, giving up the whole picture for her loved one.

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## FRIDAY.

"Be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."—1 TIM. iv. 12.

Oh, how many have been destroyed by an unhealthy conversation! It is seen in all directions. They are the first to hear a falsehood, build it another storey high, and add two wings to it. About other people's apparel, about other people's business, about other people's food—did he buy the cream for his salad, or was it given? etc.; about other people's affairs they are over-curious. Every nice piece of gossip stops at their door, and they fatten and luxuriate in the endless round of the great world of title-tattle. They invite and sumptuously entertain at their house Colonel Twaddle, and Esquire Chitchat, and Governor Small-Talk. Whoever hath an innuendo, whoever hath a scandal, whoever hath a valuable secret, let him come, and sacrifice it to this goddess of Splutter.

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## SATURDAY.

"And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein."—ISA. xxxv. 8.

As a further means of developing a holy character, you should seek to promote holiness in others. That will help you. Never let any word escape you, which throws doubt upon the great blessing of full salvation. If you are without the blessing yourself, do not cast a doubt upon it. Thank God, the blessing of holiness is a reality which can be enjoyed as a blessed, heavenly experience.—Commissioner Howard.


**DAILY READINGS  
• • ILLUSTRATED.**

## SUNDAY.

"Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast."—HEB. v. 19.

Yet there are some who offer in return for our sure and certain hope of a hereafter, the fleeting pleasures of the earth, which are here-to-day and are gone to-morrow. Not likely we are going to accept them; if we are only faithful and patient we are going to our sure and certain reward.

An English lady observed an aged German peasant stooping in his little patch of ground, all his earthly possession, to pick the pears which fell from its one tree, and said to him:

"You must grow weary in such labor, at your time of life, so bent and burdened with infirmity."

"No, madam! I have been in my time God's working servant; He has promoted me to be His waiting servant. One of these days, when I shall fall as these pears are falling, He will pick me up!"

## MONDAY.

"My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise Thee with joyful lips."—PS. lxiii. 5.

A religion that does not satisfy all the cravings of the soul is not the religion of Jesus Christ.

All who are walking in the full light, like Faber, can sing—

"There's not a craving of the mind  
Thou dost not meet and fill;  
There's not a joy the soul can have  
Which Thou dost not instill."

But to receive this joy the believer must not only be a true child of God, but must also claim the promise of the Father and possess the Holy Spirit Himself. To do this, the following conditions must be met:

All must be surrendered to God and obedience to Him preached. There must be a confession of the need of cleansing from all inbred sin.

## TUESDAY.

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword."—HEB. iv. 12.

It is told of Franklin that at one time in Paris he was greatly ridiculed for his love of the Bible, and that he made up his mind to find out how many of the scoffers had read it. He informed one of the learned societies, of which he was a member, that he had come across a story of pastoral life in ancient times, that appeared to him very beautiful, but that he would like the judgment of the society upon it. On the evening appointed, Franklin had a reader of finely modulated voice read to them the Book of Ruth. They were in ecstasies over it, and one and another rose to express gratification, admiration, and the desire that the manuscript

# Our Local Officers' Page.

## JAMESTOWN LOCALS.



Sergt. Major W. Lenten.

Sergt. - Major Lenten was saved six years ago in Jamestown. Previous to this he was a drunkard and fighter, but now he is a power for good, and a strength to the corps.—Adj't. Lenten.

Sec. A. D. Seekins writes: "I was converted eight years ago last February, and re-

ceived into the church, where I had an 'up-and-down' experience for something like a year. In the meantime the S. A. had opened fire in the town and began to preach 'holiness unto the Lord.' I was a constant attendant at the meetings, and felt the Lord had chosen me to be a soldier, and finally gave in to my convictions and made a complete surrender. The devil was in a rage, but God was pleased, and I am happy. He has kept me steadfast ever since. I am rejoicing to-day in a salvation which is precious, definite, and complete. Bless the name of the Lord."

Band of Love Sergt. - Major Mrs. Stone was saved six years ago, but never had the courage to take her stand for God until about twelve months ago, when she was enrolled as a soldier of Jamestown corps. Since that time she has proved a faithful soldier and worker. She has charge of the Band of Love, and is doing her best with the children, having Mrs. F. Birks as assistant. Both are bound to bring this branch of our work to the front.—F. Dean, Adj't.



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J. S. S.-M. Perkins writes his testimony: "I was converted in Jamestown in September, 1897, became a soldier in January, '98. I am thankful to God that I came under the influence of the Salvation Army. Before conversion was a slave to the drink habit and its attendant evils, but since conversion have amply proved the power of God to keep me."



Sec. S.-M. Perkins.

## A POINTER.

Capt. T. Bloss sends the following lines with a card reprinted below:

"The card which I enclose was published by Sister Abbissi, of Barre, Vt., corps. We need to pin it to our War Cry, or we'll surprise the effect it would have on us if I took the War Cry around. I think it would do good for us. It is a business men stop and think, and I had many a chance of talking to them through this."

Front of Card.

ETERNITY! WHERE?

"ETERNITY! WHERE? OH! how can you share With redeemed ones in Glory, or die in despair? With one or the other—ETERNITY! WHERE?"

"ETERNITY! WHERE?" OH! how can you share The world'siddy pleasures, or heedlessly dare Do ought till you settle—"ETERNITY! WHERE?"

"ETERNITY! WHERE?" O friend, have a care: Soon God will no longer His judgment forbear: This day may decide your—"ETERNITY! WHERE?"

## The Poor War Cry Sergeant.

BY LIEUT.-COLONEL FRIEDRICH.

By a poor War Cry Sergeant I mean an unsuccessful one. The following are a few of her characteristics.

The poor War Cry Sergeant sells the War Cry because she feels it is the only thing she can do for God and the Army. She finds herself unable to attend many meetings, cannot march, is too modest to testify or sing solos, and cannot contribute much to the funds. If she did not make an effort by selling the War Crys even her phlegmatic conscience would object and make her uncomfortable. War Cry selling acts upon her conscience like a moral chloroform.

She will be careful not to get her supplies until after all other W. C. Sergeants have obtained theirs, so that she has the best chance of getting the smallest number.

She will not go out early to sell the War Cry as long as she can find some excuse of putting it off till the last moment.

She will be careful to put on a plain hat, without S. A. band; hide her badge under her jacket, and hold the War Crys in such a way that nobody can guess what they are.

She will pay special attention to avoid all familiar streets and houses except such where she knows a War Cry can be sold, and go out of her way to meet any acquaintances except such as are friends of the Army.

She will not venture into a saloon when a crowd is gathered there for fear of being insulted, and she thinks it is useless to go into an empty bar-room. If at any time, under some special inducement, or in a rare moment when her former enthusiasm returns on a flying visit, she takes courage to go into a saloon, she will look stern and very virtuous, so that every one of the guests are impressed with her superiority, and will not dare to address so lofty a being. Needless to say, she cannot condescend to be friendly with the people who sell and drink the dammable liquor.

If a friendly store-keeper is engaged in serving customers when she enters, she will not wait her turn. If the store-keeper should not feel himself sufficiently honored by her presence to buy a War Cry at once she will travel on.

She will never take any small change with her. If asked to change a piece of money she will state her inability to do so, and quickly move on before the intended purchaser has time to suggest that the money might be changed in the store in front of which they are standing.

She will be careful not to read the War Cry, so that she will not waste time in explaining its contents to anybody who might be curious enough to enquire before buying.

When she is asked to sell the War Crys in the meeting she will hold out a copy with her right hand and look to the left, quickly passing down one aisle and back the other. In this manner she will happily avoid seeing any person who may be waving his hand as a sign that he wishes to get a copy, and if others observe his frantic but futile efforts it will effectively prevent them from following his rude example.

If these rules are carefully observed the P. W. C. S. will not soon be again asked to sell War Crys indoors, and in time the Captain will also tell her that he fears her health will be impaired by her outdoor efforts to sell the Cry. This will serve as a good and sufficient excuse to the last scruples still awake in her conscience, which will now go at once to sleep entirely, dreaming of heaven, its golden streets and pearly gates, its music and fountains—until she wakes up one day, very suddenly, to find herself a backslider in the clutches of the dragon Remorse!

N. B.—We speak of the P. W. C. S. as "she," because most of our War Cry boomers are sisters. Should the brothers feel especially flattered I would add that they are, as a rule, poor War Cry sellers, and much too slow to be at all in the running with the sisters, a few bright brothers excepted.

P. S.—In some future issue we will consider the make-up of a successful War Cry Sergeant.



Sergt. Major Hicks.

SERGT.-MAJOR HICKS.

"I was born on March 4th, 1877, at Point St. Charles, Montreal. My mother died when I was five years old, and since that time I never had what I could call a home. My father married again when I was nine years old, and soon after that I left home. I started the downward road by smoking cigarettes and reading dime novels, which soon led me further down the path of sin and hell. Once a number of lads, with myself, decided to go on a wandering trip. We left Gananoque the last week in March, of 1896, and hoisted off all the way down to Kentucky. I lost my partner there, but still kept going south. When I landed in Chattanooga, Tenn., I went to the Lewis mission to stay over night. While there I went forward to the penitent form the second night, because the boys told me I could stay there longer if I claimed to be converted. But it was there that I became convicted, and shortly after I was converted in the Army. I have been a soldier in Chattanooga and Nashville, Tenn., and also in several corps in Illinois; but never in all my experience have I felt the Lord so near, or felt the need of saving souls as I do to-day. In my new position of S.-M. of the Gananoque corps, I intend to do my best to lift up the fallen and seek the lost."—S.-M. Hicks.

SECRETARY IDA LALONDE.

"I was born in Clayton, New York State, and brought up in the Roman Catholic faith. My father died when I was quite young. I always had a desire to be good, and lived up to the rules of my church as far as I could. Still I was never satisfied. There was something within me that told me God was not pleased with my life. In 1885 I went into a Methodist meeting, and heard of the precious blood that cleanses from all sin, and then took Jesus as my Saviour. Some time after that I was sanctified in the Army, and found that my place was there. I have been fighting for God ever since, and as Secretary of Gananoque corps I mean to be true to God and true to the Army. I pray that God will bless me, and use me to the salvation of many precious souls."



Sec. Mrs. LaLonde.

"We ought to make more of our Christian friendships, the communion of the saints, the fellowship of believers. 'They that feared God spake often one to another,' said the Prophet Malachi, in one of the darkest hours of the church. What mutual comfort and renewed hope they would get from, and give to, each other! Faith can be increased, and love stimulated, and enthusiasm revived by intercourse." —Hugh Black.

"A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity."—Pro. xvii. 17.

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## GAZETTE.

### Promotions—

Capt. Wm. G. White to be ENSIGN.  
Capt. A. A. Crego to be ENSIGN.

### Appointments—

STAFF-CAPT. AYRE to Lisgar St.

ADJT. THOMAS, Portage la Prairie, to Sudbury.

ADJT. BURROWS to Owen Sound Corps and District.

ENSIGN McCANN, Owen Sound, to Orillia.  
ENSIGN BRANT, Atlinic Harbor, to Omemee.

ENSIGN CREGO, Montreal II., to Barre, Vt.

ENSIGN E. MAGEE to Pembroke.

ENSIGN BRADBURY, Arnprior, to Mont-real I. (2nd).

ENSIGN W. JONES to be Assistant to Major Archibald, Prison Work.

EVANGELINE C. BOOTH,  
Commissioner.

## Editorial.

### Recognition of the Army's Work.

The magnificent reception of the General in the Royal Albert Hall, London, Eng., caused wide-spread and favorable comment in the Old Country, and furnished the opportunity to the public press to express appreciation of the Army's work. The public and the authorities in England especially have come to a desirable recognition of the effective social reform work the Army is doing, especially in the world's metropolis, and it is to be hoped that Government aid will be more freely given. In this respect the colonies lead the way again. Australia, in particular, as well as South Africa and Canada, substantially subsidize various branches of the Army's work, which has, in many respects, relieved the country of the charge and support of paupers, criminals, and unfortunates, as well as produced from the "waste products of society," to use the General's phrase, useful and respectable citizens, at a trifling expense. There is no social reform agency so successful and so economical as the Army, and the government which is not slow to aid the Army in these efforts will find the money given to this purpose a lucrative investment.

### Self-Denial Week.

Self-Denial Week is rapidly approaching. This year's dates for the Territory are from May 24th to 31st; for Newfoundland and some far-away localities, a change of dates has been consented to.

That this annual effort will meet with as substantial results as in former years need not be doubted. In the first place, the General's recent visit has called, in an extraordinary manner, public attention to our work, and freshly opened fountains of sympathy. Then the gen-

eral prosperity of the country not only makes the people more generously disposed, but gives those who like to help the Army better opportunity to do so. Lastly, our own soldiers are in a better position to assist with their own substance, and will not be slow to seek to return in this manner some of the untold blessings God has given them in and through the Army.

The target for the Territory has not been placed above reach—\$27,500 is a sum that can be reached, and if \$30,000 should be the grand total it would not come as a great surprise, as the energetic efforts already displayed by all ranks, from the Provincial Officers downward, lead us to expect remarkable triumphs.

### Yorkville's Nine Days.

Lieut.-Colonel Pugmire and Staff-Capt. Manton have started a nine-days' soul-saving campaign at Yorkville, with splendid results so far. The meetings were A 1 on Sunday. Two souls were sanctified, and many others greatly blessed in the morning meeting. The afternoon was an inspiring time, with a good climax at night, when two backsliders returned to the fold amid general rejoicing on the part of the Yorkville soldiers, who received the penitents back into the fold while heartily singing a well-known, but still popular, favorite, "There's a welcome home, a soldier's welcome home," etc.

Faith and expectations are high, and the soldiers and friends are making the meetings a special matter of prayer.

### Brigadier Pickering at the Temple.

(Special.)

The meetings at the Temple on Sunday last were quite up to the mark in every respect.

The night meeting was one of special interest, owing to the presence of Brigadier and Mrs. Pickering, Provincial Officers of the C. O. P.

His talk on, "Will a man rob God?" was listened to with rapt attention, and made a deep impression on the audience. A well-fought battle resulted in the salvation of three souls. The band did good service, and is steadily improving.—B.

### C. O. P. Revivalists at Midland.

(By Wire.)

We arrived at Midland safely and went to work at once to make the very best of our opportunity. Our week-end meetings were grand, both inside and open-airs. Large crowds attended, and demonstrated their appreciation of our presence with them by giving very generously in the collection. We give God the glory for five precious souls who knelt at the mercy seat and gained salvation. We are going in for a mighty time this week. All well.—Adj't. W. E. Parsons.

### Territorial Newslets.

The J. S. Annals in the city of Toronto have been singularly successful. On Monday night the sale of work done by the Temple Band of Love members amounted to over \$18, in addition to a good offering. The sale was preceded by an excellent program rendered by the juniors. This is an accomplishment worthy of being copied.

The offering at Riverside for the Monday night amounted to the grand sum of \$18.

The Central Ontario Spring Councils, at St. Catharines, conducted by Brigadier Pickering, were times of salvation and blessing. Forty-five knelt at the mercy seat, among them being some ex-soldiers who used to be noble-hearted warriors. Forty-five officers took part in the meetings.

The old S. A. barracks, at Listowel, has been burned. It is a consolation to know that our new building is nearly completed and ready for occupation.

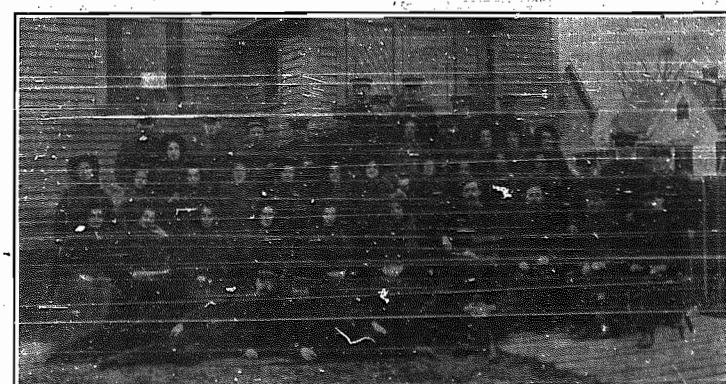
Quotations from the Pacific Province paper, in our Cry dated April 18th, we gave the amount of \$101.50 for the G.B.M. returns last quarter in the Pacific; Adj't. Andrews now states the amount is really \$195.50, which is a splendid total.

It is as pleasing as it is interesting to know that the Dunlop Tire Company despatched to the Salvation Army in Hamilton, Stratford, and Belleville some of the coveted 25¢ pieces bearing their trade mark, but the coins evidently escaped the notice of the treasurers, as they were returned by other parties to the Company. We have, however, to acknowledge the kindness on the part of the Dunlop Tire Company in giving the S. A. the first opportunity of realizing a \$5 bill on the coins.

Proposals are under consideration for new barracks at North Bay and Burk's Falls. Both corps badly need them.

*Western Newslets.*—Adj't. Alward has just received the painful news that his mother has passed away; it is all the more sad when we know that the Adjutant has lost his father also, all within a year. God bless our comrade. Remember him at the Throne.—Adj't. Thomas, after years of faithful toil in the North-West, is being transferred to the Central Province.—Adj't. Wakefield is said to be looking better than he has done for many years. He reports things on the up-grade at Brandon. We regret that Mrs. Wakefield's health is still very unsatisfactory.—Capt. Lacey took advantage of President Roosevelt's visit to Moorhead, and started in right away in the interests of S.-D. He netted a neat little figure. That was a good stroke, Captain.

The following new and important appointments have been made in the Central Ontario Province: Staff-Capt. and Mrs. Ayre to Lisgar St.; Adj't. and Mrs. Burrows to Owen Sound Corps and District; Ensign McCann to Orillia. Adj't. and Mrs. Bale leave us, with best wishes, for the U. S. A.



Brigadier and Mrs. Pickering, with Officers of the C. O. P. Assembled at St. Catharines for Councils.

# SELF-DENIAL.

To Officers, Soldiers and Friends of the Salvation Army.

BY THE GENERAL.

MY DEAR COMRADES,—

Some seventeen years have passed since the thought first occurred to my mind of setting apart a particular week for the special practice of self-denial in the interests of the Army.

It was one of those sudden suggestions that might almost be described as an inspiration. I felt it was the right thing from the first moment, and those about me at the time felt the same. With our own people it caught on right away. The first effort produced \$18,500, and it continued to grow in volume and popularity from year to year. Then it spread from land to land, appreciated and welcomed everywhere.

The proceeds of last year's effort for your Territory amounted to \$27,550.84. For a people so poor in this world's goods, as we are well known to be, a system by which so generous a sum is thus placed at the service of our Lord, is generally felt to be a remarkable achievement. If no one else thinks so, I do, and I give God glory.

Here the question may be raised: What has been done with the money already contributed from year to year? To this I answer that it has all been spent to the glory of God, and for the highest and noblest purposes.

By its assistance, many

**Hundreds of Officers Have Been Trained,**

who are now winning thousands of souls to Christ in every part of the world.

By its assistance,

**The Missionary Work of the Army**

has been maintained in various parts of the world, including India, Japan, Africa, Java, and the West Indies. In these and other countries,

## THE ESSENCE OF SELF-DENIAL.

### Self-Denial and Real Satisfaction.

Perhaps the highest forms of human happiness, both here and hereafter, are the fruits of self-sacrifice.

Look back on your past history and you will find, I think, that it has been those hours which yielded the most pleasure which at the same time have imparted the greatest satisfaction on review, but rather those in which you battled bravely, and often sufferingly, in darkness and hardness, perchance, in order to receive some higher and more enduring benefit to yourself or (more likely still) some great deliverance for others.

The cross borne to-day in the strife for your own soul's fuller emancipation from evil, or for the deliverance of the bodies and souls of others, may be very heavy while on your shoulders, but the memory of it will make the crown just that much brighter when the hour comes for the Master to place it upon your brow.—The General.

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### Save Your Own Skin.

The Christianity of the Salvation Army claims a life of service and sacrifice for the salvation of the world. We hide our faces in the dust when we see that the principles of Jesus Christ's government have made so little progress in the vast preserves of godliness, superstition, and heathendom. To us it is a shameful and an appalling thing that in the heathen world the advances of Christianity lay far behind the

tens of thousands of heathen have been brought within reach of the glorious Gospel of our Lord. Hundreds of them have been saved, and are living lives of faithfulness to His commands, and striving to help and bless their fellows.

By its assistance, many

### Hundreds of Drunkards Have Been Delivered

from the dominion of the frenzied craving for strong drink, and are now toiling for the rescue of their fellows.

By its assistance, numbers of poor

### Lost Women Have Been Rescued

from lives of shame and depths of despair, and now are living lives of virtue.

By its assistance, numbers of

### Criminals Have Been Made Honest,

and are now good and useful members of society.

By its assistance,

### The Hungry Have Been Fed,

the naked clothed, the homeless sheltered, the orphans housed, and, what is as important as almost anything else, the spirit of self-denial for Christ and the saving of the lost has been created and cultivated among men, women, and children in the uttermost parts of the earth.

In fact, Self-Denial Week has come to be

### A Credit and a Glory

to the Army. Men of all religions, persuasions, and philanthropies, together with those who boast of having no religion, or care little for anybody but themselves, alike admire the devoted self-sacrifice of the Salvationist, while in every direction the effort is flattered and praised by imitations, numberless churches and charities

onward march of the forces of Buddha and Mohammed. And is it not because the Christianity, especially of the past hundred years, has been so selfish, so careful of number one, so anxious about the "things which are seen and which are temporal," so much a religion of "save your own skin" while the teaching of the cross, if it was anything at all, was *never mind me?* Is not this the secret of it all?—Chief of the Staff.

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### Opportunity.

The little strength, the little ability, the little song, the little opportunity accepted and blessed by Jesus, we shall find again before the Throne among the "little things" Christ used to the feeding of multitudes and the healing of nations. It may be only a look you gave, but it kept a heart from breaking; only a word you spoke, and it saved a soul from hell; only a tear you dropped, but it brought a sinner to Jesus; only a good "Amen!" and the walls of unbelief fell. There—where tears are blotted, words registered, small deeds recorded, at prayers remembered—the weakest and the strongest, and the least and the greatest, officers and soldiers, parents and children, will find how it is that "little things" hold the power to either spoil our lives or preserve them blameless before the Lord.—Commissioner Eva Booth.

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### Self-Denial in Small Things.

Do not wait for voices and revelations! This Self-Denial appeal is a definite call to definite action of a definite kind, in which all can join.

having inaugurated some form of self-denial effort within their borders.

With us, Self-Denial Week has come to be

### A Necessity.

A great number of our most important enterprises are dependent upon the supplies it annually brings to their aid. Without the generous help of Self-Denial, the busy work of our Training Homes must come to a standstill; the doors of our Shelters must be closed against numbers of the shivering wretches who count them their home; the regenerating work of our Rescue Homes must largely cease; the voice of mercy to millions on various mission fields must be silenced; while a host of other Christ-like agencies must stay their divine errand.

Moreover, Self-Denial Week has for a multitude of our precious people the world round come to be

### A Delight.

It is hailed as a competition of mingled duty and recreation. It is felt to be so simple and easy a method for spreading salvation, alleviating human sorrow, and giving satisfaction to the heart of Jesus Christ, that officers, soldiers, and friends, whether old or young, take equal pleasure in it. It is indeed thrice blessed, gratifying alike the one that asks, the one that gives, and the one that is profited by what is given. Everywhere Self-Denial Week is increasingly welcome.

Now, the question arises:

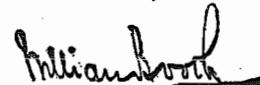
### What Shall Be Done

with this wonderful week this year? In the past you have done nobly, and I see no reason why you should not do nobly again; yea, more nobly even than ever before!

My faith will not allow me to expect less than the welcome tidings that you have surpassed yourselves.

*You will not disappoint me!*

Yours affectionately,



You have had them by the legion! But you have let them pass for want of knowing what to do with them. The same wind blew aimlessly over land and sea, till somebody thought of utilizing its power by putting up windmills and spreading sails. The same water rolled wastefully down the hillside, till somebody used its force to move the wheel. The same steam rushed through the kettle, till somebody captured it to work the engine.

The wind, the water, the steam—you feel them in your soul as you read these lines. Will you let them dash past into eternity unused? or will you turn their every power to making the very best of this self-denial effort?—Commander Booth-Tucker.

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### Preparation for S.D. Work.

Is your soul full of self-denial? Your hands, I know, will now be; but I am first of all concerned about your heart. The week is to be one of prayer, as well as work. Your soul, your body, and your brain will be best equipped for the arduous toil by communion with God. Spend some time with your Lord alone. Let Him examine your life. Put straightforward questions to yourself. Come not out before the people till you are drenched with Divine feeling, compassion, tenderness and love; till your heart burns within you, and your very face shines with the glory of the Most High God.—Commissioner Howard.

The Army Shelter in Toronto is filled every night to its utmost capacity, and has been all winter. The private cubicles are in great demand.







## Canadian Cuttings.

Plans have been got ready at Montreal for the elevation of the Grand Trunk tracks from St. Henri to Bonaventure station, which will cost two and a half million dollars.

The Hamburg-American Liner *Assyria*, with 1,100 immigrants, arrived at Halifax from Hamburg.

Four miners were killed by an explosion of gas in the French slope at Reserve mine, at Glace Bay, N.S.

It is announced that the Canadian Northern will build another elevator at Port Arthur this summer with a capacity of three and a half million bushels. It will be fire-proof and of the same class as the present storage elevator.

The King's birthday will be observed on May 25th.

The Ontario Government has decided to erect an asylum for epileptics at Woodstock.

The application of the Canadian Marine Association for the removal of the steamboat inspection fees will be acceded to.

A small riot took place over the unloading of the Carrigan Head, when 300 men paraded to the ship's quarters at Hochelaga pier, but, apart from the throwing of a few stones, no violence resulted.

## U. S. Siftings.

Passengers on the Burlington train were robbed of \$1,000 as the train was leaving the Burlington station, at Lincoln, Neb. The robbers went through the immigrant sleeper, and then escaped.

The germ that causes small-pox is said to have been discovered by a Harvard professor of medicine.

A number of U. S. army officers in Alaska will be court-martialed on charges of selling commissary supplies for their own profit.

In an official report, General Miles cites many cases of atrocities committed by United States troops in the Philippines.

Eleven men were killed, and twenty-five injured in a train wreck near Buffalo, Kansas.

Liquor dealers and users of intoxicants are barred from holding office in Ohio cities. According to Section 160 of the municipal code,

"No person habitually using intoxicating beverages to excess will be appointed to or retained in office, appointment or employment to which the provisions of the merit system as provided in this act are applicable; nor shall any vendor of intoxicating liquors be appointed or retained."

## British Briefs.

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer announces that the import duty will remain in force until July.

Two British officers and thirteen men were killed and four officers and twenty-eight men wounded in additional fighting in Somaliland.

Five British soldiers at Pretoria were sentenced to death for taking part in a riot in which one military policeman was killed and sixteen wounded.

The British Government has decided not to participate in the Bagdad railway scheme.

Part of the British force in Somaliland was defeated, ten officers and 180 men, out of 230, being killed.

The Landowners' Convention at Dublin decided to support the Irish land bill.

The plague has reached Indore, India, and from thirty to fifty die of it daily.

Lord Lynden's Parliamentary party will visit Toronto Exhibition during their tour in Canada.

## International Items.

It is reported that the Sultan of Morocco has abdicated in favor of his brother, Muley Mohammed.

Fifteen persons were frozen to death during Sunday's snowstorm in various parts of Silesia, Prussia.

China will pay the Boxer indemnity in gold.

Dreyfus has asked the French Minister of War to re-open and investigate his case.

The Tageblatt, of Berlin, printed a wireless telegram sent by a correspondent from a moving train between Berlin and Zossen.

Turkey has decided to place nearly one-quarter of a million troops in Macedonia.

Ten workmen engaged in making a tunnel on the Mexican Central's extension at Tuxpan, in the State of Jalisco, have lost their lives in a cave-in caused by several earthquake shocks coming in rapid succession.

It is reported that Tetuan is in danger of being taken by the Moroccan rebels.

A Hungarian soldier was arrested in connection with an alleged plot among Hungarian troops to murder Emperor Francis Joseph during the military manoeuvres.

According to tradition, April 21st was the 2,656th anniversary of the foundation of Rome, termed Rome's birthday.

A Chinese desperado in Kwangtung, who confessed to sixteen murders, was decoyed into Shunche-Hsien by a man whose father he had murdered, and when he confessed to so many crimes it was decided that decapitation was too lenient a punishment, and he was crucified. He was nailed by his hands and feet to a wooden cross, and placed on one of the city bridges as a warning to malefactors. He lingered for three days, when he succumbed to his terrible suffering. After death the body was decapitated.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has donated \$1,500,000 for a permanent "temple of peace" for the arbitration court at The Hague.

Despatches from Paris indicate that Dreyfus' request for an investigation of his case by the Minister of War will be granted.

Russia's demand for sovereignty over Manchuria has caused great excitement in Japan, and three Japanese warships have been ordered to Newchang.

Twenty-five Jews were killed and 275 wounded during anti-Semitic riots at Kishency, Bessarabia, Russia.

It is reported that the Judges appointed under the Turkish reform scheme are being terrorized by the Albanians.

The German Government has decreed the expulsion of Mormon missionaries.

Further measures have been taken to emphasize Russian domination in Finland.

"We have been free men for 700 years," said a well-known Finn, "but to-day we have become Russian serfs." The correspondent goes on to recall the fact that Governor Bobrikoff returned to Finland with authority to drive into exile, without legal process, anyone whose presence in the country he regarded as objectionable.

Elaborate preparations are being made in Paris to greet King Edward.

It is reported that President Loubet, of France, will visit Britain in July.

A new sect, similar to the Boxers, has assumed enormous proportions in Kiang-Nan. Eighty per cent. of the population already are members, including many soldiers and officials. A wholesale rising of the population against foreigners is expected, and the Mandarins are using their influence thereto.

Many disturbances resulting from the dispersing of unauthorized congregations occurred in France.

It is estimated that 400,000 people lined the streets of the route followed by King Edward on the occasion of his arrival at Rome.

## BERMUDA BREEZES.

*The Last Meetings of Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Sharp on the Islands.*

Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Sharp continued their tour to Southampton, that plot of pasture-shepherded by Capt. McWilliams. Like the other corps, this three-days' visit was signally blessed and owned of God. The first night brought a prodigal home, while at the soldiers' meeting on the following night some nine of the comrades came to God for definite cleansing. Hallelujah! The Thursday was the finish, bringing in the various officers from surrounding corps, as well as soldiers and the Hamilton Brass Band. A good musical meeting and a packed house was the result, and although the finish brought a splendid address from the Colonel, full of spirit, yet none would yield. Fruit must come, and God will yet be glorified in this place.

Hamilton saw the last of the Colonel and Mrs. Sharp on the Friday, when officers and soldiers told of blessings received during their visit, and the crowds in the place stood to their feet when the D.O. asked a testimony for blessings received and a repeat visit requested. The same thing happened when the Colonel read the Commissioner's letter of regret at being unable to visit the Bermudas at this time. When asked to send a token of loving regard and urgent request for a visit, the audience stood and cheered. This meeting finished up with souls.

We have been much cheered and blessed by the tour of Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Sharp, and will long treasure their counsel and words of encouragement to us in our sea-girt enclosure, and will look forward with great expectancy to their return. There will be a good welcome when that time comes.

Ensign Piercy, the G. B. M. Special landed amongst the lilies and assisted the Colonel in his meetings very materially with his singing, as well as Lieut. Corkum and Capt. Hebb in their duets and trios. The Ensign has visited St. George's and Hamilton in the behalf of Lazarus, and has had a very good time in the way of finances and crowds. He is getting hold of some good agents, and we are believing for this branch coming round again.—A. Crichton, D.O.

## Riverside J. S. Annual.

(Special.)

Glorious meetings all day Sunday at Riverside, conducted by Adj't. and Mrs. Sims, the J. S. Secretaries.

The J. S. work was brought to the front all day; the juniors sang, and the Local Officers testified to the blessings received through the work.

The power of God was felt in all the meetings, and four souls sought and found the Saviour. Praise the Lord! Collections all day highest for six months. The band is doing fine and helps to make the work go better.

Monday night Juniors' Annual huge success. Read report in Young Soldier.—Interested One.

"For as yellow gold is tried by fire, so do moments of adversity prove the strength of friendship. While fortune is friendly and smiles with serene countenance, crowds surround the rich; but when heaven's thunder rolls they vanish, nor has he one who knows him, though lately encircled by troops of boorish companions." —Ovidius.

The Religious Telescope says: "No man soars higher than he aims." In personal, social, civil, and religious life, low aim is a crime. Failure may be pardonable, but low aim in life merits perpetual condemnation. Any progress towards a high ideal is a victory. Achieving a low aim is worse than failure; it is self-degradation. Every truly lofty ideal is both sane and in accord with common sense and good judgment. To be a day-dreamer, or a builder of castles, is not characteristic of the youth or the man of high ideals."



### Great Britain.

April the 10th, as many of our readers will know, was the day on which our beloved General celebrated his 74th birthday. Needless to say, the General has received loyal and affectionate greetings and congratulations from all parts of the globe.

Seventy-four years ago he first saw the light at Nottingham, and since then his name has become a household word.

The late Sir Henry Parkes once said of him: "General Booth has conquered the world with no other weapon than the simple beauty of the Christian religion, with the most potent weapon in the world, with love—love for poor, suffering, sinning, humanity."

As the General loves humanity, he is loved in return. Some men are esteemed, some admired, some are regarded with fear or contempt, and some are cordially hated.

The General stands almost alone. He is loved. The hearts of a million followers—"black and white and every kind"—are held to him by the cords of love. He has written the following note of thanks in response to the many messages received:

"Comrades and Friends,—I thank you for the loving assurances of your prayers and wishes for my continued life and usefulness that are flowing in upon me from every part of the world on the occasion of my seventy-fourth birthday.

"To answer them personally, one by one, as I could wish, would be difficult, if not impossible. Please, therefore, accept this expression of my gratitude.

"Your affectionate confidence is the chief joy of my life, and to deserve it most fully my highest ambition. I love you, trust you, glory in you, and commend you constantly to the care and keeping of my Heavenly Father.

BIRTHDAYS remind us of the solemn fact that time is flying, and that the end of our opportunities is at hand. Oh, for grace and courage to improve every moment, so that at last we may hear the glad 'Well done!' of the Saviour Lord.

"Yours, as ever and for ever,—WILLIAM BOOTH."

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Our Intelligence Department at International Headquarters is growing rapidly in usefulness. During one month, about two hundred cases were dealt with, concerning which eight hundred letters were received, and about one thousand despatched.

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"The welcome to General Booth at Albert Hall," said the London Advertiser, "was a striking and remarkable tribute to the boundless zeal and energy of a man and a movement that have withstood the fire of ridicule and the scoffer's gibe, and grown apace in spite of both."

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Three big audiences, embracing from ten to twelve thousand people, listened to mighty appeals by the General in the Empire Theatre, Glasgow, on Easter Sunday. No less than 106 sinners and backsliders surrendered to God in the meetings.

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Since the beginning of December our two City Colony Soup-Kitchens have provided over 135,000 free meals of soup and bread to homeless people.

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At the Blackfriars Free Breakfast meeting on a recent Sunday, Mrs. Colonel Sturges saw from her position on the platform a lad, apparently about sixteen years of age, who did not rise to sing with the others, and seemed to be in distress. When spoken to, the boy began to sob bitterly, and immediately afterwards fainted.

He was at once taken outside, and Mrs. Sturges saw that he was given some suitable nourishment and put to bed. Later on, it transpired that the lad had run away from his home in a London suburb, and had been bedless and practically foodless for two days and two nights.

Next day, the lad was very repentant, and

willingly accompanied a Salvationist to his home, where his distressed parents welcomed him with open arms. He professed conversion before leaving the Shelter.

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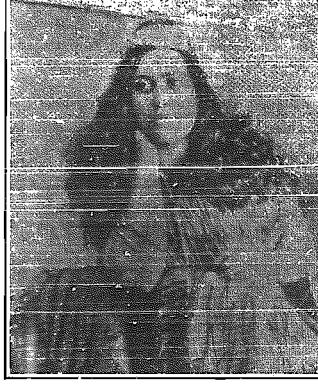
The North London Province includes 256 corps, circles, and societies, commanded by 376 officers.

### United States.

An engineer on the railroad, who had left his wife and child for a week, found himself in Muncie, under the influence of drink and drugs. He had spent over \$100 in gambling. He was attracted by the Army's open-air meeting and got well-saved, kneeling at the drum-head. The Captain afterwards got him cleaned up, and took him to the train to return to his family.

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A few weeks ago Mrs. Capt. Riddle and a comrade were out seeking an old couple that they heard were in need. When they arrived at the house they were met at the door by the old man, who exclaimed, "God bless you! I knew the Lord would send someone. We were just praying for God to send help, and I looked out of the window and saw you coming, and I said, 'Cheer up, Martha, here comes the Salvation Army!'"



Ensign Sterling, the Sweet Singer of Maoriland.

They were found to be in great need, so they were provided with a good dinner, and have been looked after ever since.

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The Army expects soon to place 100 more families upon its colonies in the United States.

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A prominent business man in Paterson got up a petition and had thirty other business men sign it, who do business directly around the Army's open-air stand, and petitioned the Board of Aldermen to grant permission for the Salvation Army to hold its open-air in Paterson. Result: The Recorder wouldn't try our case when we appeared before him.

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Two hundred and thirty-five souls and sixteen new soldiers were enrolled in the Texas Division during the month of March.

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A lot has been offered the Army at Greenville, Mich., if it will erect a hall thereon.

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The fittings of the old Y.M.C.A. building on 23rd St., New York City, the scene of some of the most prominent of the Army's early battles in the U.S.A., have been donated to our Social Work in that country. Twenty-two large truck-loads have been removed, comprising chairs, opera-house chairs, tables, cupboards, school-desks and black-boards. The building is to be torn down.

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A company of health officials from one of the large cities of Germany visited the S. A. Hotel at the Braverman Building, New York, and were much impressed with all they saw. They were sent by the President of the Board of Health of New York City. They showed the utmost interest in the institution and put a few dollars

in the box before leaving, and were careful to take a little souvenir away.

### Malta.

During the last two or three months several stokers and a ship's corporal have got blessedly converted at Malta. They are developing into real fighting soldiers. It is a treat to hear their testimonies.

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Five new Leaguers have lately been enrolled, one of them a quartermaster-sergeant. At the time of writing, our lads are busy with Self-Denial, and we confidently expect to top all previous records. Mrs. Souter has already collected over \$105, and many of the Leaguers are doing excellently.

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Our latest triumph is a large room for Salvation Army meetings in one of the forts, given to us by the commanding officer. About seventy attended the first meeting, besides a good crowd around the door listening. At the close two men, apparently great drunkards, volunteered for salvation.

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It will be interesting to the readers of the Cry to learn how the Salvation Army was started in Malta.

The Gunnery Inspector had got the right sort of salvation—the sort that made him groan over the sins of his brother bluc-jackets. Not that that would have done very much good after all, if it hadn't been coupled with a strong determination to do something for their souls at all costs.

"It's God they need," he said to himself over and over again, "it's God and His Salvation Army."

We cannot tell you at what corps the Gunnery Inspector found Christ. We cannot tell you what officer had the joy of leading him into the light. He was one of those seeds dropped by the wayside. The Gunnery Inspector got saved, moved away with his ship, and no one knew, but God, whether the little seed would prosper.

The Gunnery Inspector decided to pray for guidance. He didn't know what to do in order to reach these souls. He talked, and prayed, and testified upon all occasions, and God had given the souls of two or three comrades, but what were two or three compared with the many?

He got a loan of a room, and calling his little force together, said:

"Come along with me, lads: I've got a room to pray in, but we must on no account shout!"

God came down on those two or three in a mighty manner, and—well, it was no use, they just had to shout! And shout they did. That room was far too expensive, by a long way!

They next betook themselves to a secluded country spot, and sat down to discuss the matter.

"This chicken's about to bust its shell," said the Gunnery Inspector, graphically.

The others agreed. The next thing was, what to do with little fowl when it had "bust its shell."

"I'll tell you," said one of the number, who lived on the island, "we'll rent a house, I'll take it, and when we've filled it, Headquarters (he meant Salvation Army Headquarters, of course) will have to do something for us in the way of looking after us."

The chicken had "bust its shell."

And this is the story of how the Salvation Army took root in Malta.

### South Africa.

In visiting our native settlements in South Africa, Colonel Bates was becoming an adept in the saddle. The Colonel has now sailed from the Cape for England.

Staff-Capt. Clark and his interesting Zulu comrades, who for the last six months have been conducting special meetings in Great Britain, and have also paid a flying visit to the Netherlands, are now on the water bound for South Africa.

A West African Cadet who entered the Clapton Training Home six months ago, has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, and has gone to South Africa with the Zulu party.





# SONGS OF THE WEEK.

## Saves to the Utmost.

Tune.—Sweet rest in heaven (B.J. 174):

Come with me visit Calv'ry,  
Where our Redeemer died;  
His blood it fills the fountain,  
'Tis deep, 'tis full, 'tis wide.  
He died from sin to sever  
Our hearts and lives complete;  
He saves and keeps for ever  
Those lying at His feet.

### Chorus.

To the utmost He saves,  
Dare you now believe,  
And His love receive?  
To the utmost He saves.

I will surrender fully  
And do my Saviour's will;  
He shall now make me holy,  
And with Himself will fill.  
He's saving, I'm believing,  
This blessing now I claim;  
His Spirit I'm receiving,  
My heart is in a flame.  
I've wondrous peace through trust-  
ing,  
A well of joy within;  
This rest is everlasting,  
Each day fresh triumphs win.  
He gives me heavenly measure,  
Press'd down, and running o'er;  
Oh, what a priceless treasure,  
Glory for evermore!

## The Bleeding Lamb.

Tune.—He was found worthy (B.J. 106):

2 When none was found to ran-  
som me  
He was found worthy!  
To set a world of sinners free,  
He was found worthy!

### Chorus.

Oh, the bleeding Lamb!  
Oh, the bleeding Lamb!  
Oh, the bleeding Lamb!  
He was found worthy!

To bridge the gulf 'twixt man and  
God,

He was found worthy!  
And save the rebels by His blood,  
He was found worthy!

To take the book and loose the seal,  
He was found worthy!

To bruise the head that bruised His  
heel,

He was found worthy!  
To open wide the gates of heaven,  
He was found worthy!

To Him all majesty is given.  
He was found worthy!

## What of the Night?

BY CAPT. N. STATA, OTTAWA.

Tune.—Tell it again:

3 The sun is shining, life seems  
one glad day,  
Flowers are blooming all over your  
way,  
Nothing it seems e'er can obscure  
the light,  
But clouds will gather, and "what  
of the night?"

### Chorus.

What of the night? What of the  
night?

Sinner, your life here is passing  
away;  
Come unto Jesus, He'll heal sin's  
dark blight,  
Give you a joy that will never  
decay.

## Jesus, Near and Precious.

Words and music by W. A. Hawley, Charlottetown.

Life will not always be happy and  
free,  
Sorrow will cast her dark mantle  
o'er thee,  
Loved ones be taken away from thy  
sight,  
Then you'll need Jesus—prepare  
for the night.

Death's stormy waves will soon roll  
at your feet,  
Life must be yielded, e'en though it  
is sweet;  
Then, without Jesus to pilot you  
o'er,  
Your bark will be wrecked on Eter-  
nity's shore.

Come to His cross and just now  
seek His face,  
He will forgive you, and then, by  
His grace,  
Help you to live good and pure in  
His sight,  
So that you never need fear the  
night.

## Jesus is Calling.

BY "NED," BEAR RIVER.

Tune.—Under the good old Army  
flag.

4 Dear sinner, come to-day  
And wash thy guilt away,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
Renounce the way of sin,  
And let Him reign within,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!

### Chorus.

Jesus is calling now to thee!  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
Oh, will thou not relent,  
And of thy sin repent?  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
God's pardon now obtain,  
Be washed from every stain,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
Without the past forgiven,  
You have no hope of heaven,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!

Right now come, take your stand  
And join our daring band,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
He will a welcome give,  
And help you right to live,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!

Salvation now is sent  
To all who will repent,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
If thou wilt Him confess,  
Our Lord will deign to bless,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!

Thy puny arms lay down,  
And Christi thy Saviour own,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!  
He will thy fears remove,  
And fill thee with His love,  
Jesus is calling now to thee!

## Crown Him Lord of All.

Tune.—Crown Him (B.B. 63).

5 All hail the power of Jesus'  
name,  
And down before Him fall;  
To all the world His love proclaim,  
And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every drunkard, every soul  
Who hears the Saviour's call,  
On Him their guilty burdens roll,  
And crown Him Lord of all!

Let all our Juniors never tire,  
In street, in lane, in hall,  
The red-hot Gospel shot to fire,  
And crown Him Lord of all!

Crown Him, ye soldiers of our God,  
And every sinner call,  
Make known the power of Jesus'  
blood,  
And crown Him Lord of all!